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May 05, 2006 03:26 PM

Representative Trent Franks  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1237 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Representative Franks:

As someone who is concerned about increased taxes and telephone fees, I oppose Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Chairman Kevin J. Martin's plans to change the way monies are collected for the Universal Service Fund.

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Please pass along my concerns to the FCC on my behalf, letting them know that your constituents have contacted you to oppose a USF numbers or flat-fee plan. Thank you for your continued work. I look forward to hearing about your position on this matter.

Sincerely,

Lois CARRANZA

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**Joanne DeProfio**

117 Wallace St , Newton, Massachusetts 02461

May 03, 2006 08:21 AM

Representative Barney Frank  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2252 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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May 03, 2006 08:21 AM

Senator John Kerry  
U.S. Senate  
304 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Kerry:

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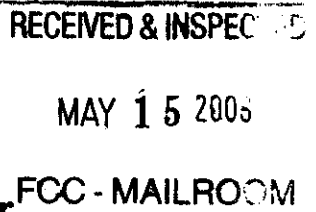
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Sincerely,

Joanne DeProfio

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**Bernie Wiggerhauser**

P.O. Box 3815 , Fullerton,, California 92834-3815

May 05, 2006 06:55 PM

Representative Loretta Sanchez  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1230 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

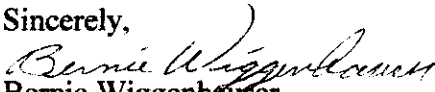
Dear Representative Sanchez:

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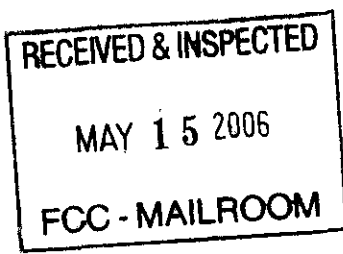
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Bernie Wiggerhauser

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**Sally Lawson**

31242 Island Dr. , Evergreen, Colorado 80439-8900

May 09, 2006 10:47 AM

Chairman Kevin J. Martin  
FCC  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45


Dear sir:

As someone who is concerned about increased taxes and telephone fees, I oppose your plans as Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to change the way monies are collected for the Universal Service Fund.

You are proposing a change in the Universal Service Fund (USF) collection methodology from a "pay-for-what-you-use" system to a "monthly flat-fee." The flat-fee system would result in forced phone bill hikes for me -- and for millions of low-volume, long-distance users in the U.S. Shifting the funding burden of the USF away from high volume users -- like big businesses -- and placing the weight on low-volume users -- students, prepaid wireless users, senior citizens and low-income residential and rural consumers-- is unfair. I urge you to rethink this flat-fee plan. It is a de-facto tax increase of as much as \$707 million for 43 million of low-volume, long-distance users in the U.S.

Please pass along my concerns to the entire FCC on my behalf, letting them know that this citizen has contacted you to oppose a USF numbers or flat-fee plan. Thank you for your time. I look forward to hearing about your position on this matter.

Sincerely,

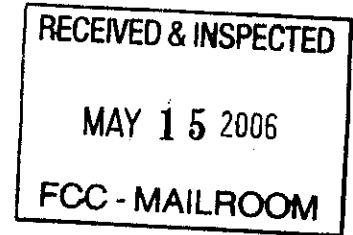
  
Sally Lawson

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Enola Cron  
430 Fowler Ford Road  
Portland, TN 37148-1909



May 8, 2006

FCC  
Chairman Kevin J. Martin  
445 12<sup>th</sup> St SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Chairman Martin:

As someone who is concerned about increased taxes and telephone fees, I oppose plans to change the way monies are collected for the Universal Service Fund.

Proposing a change in the Universal Service Fund (USF) collection methodology from a "pay-for-what-you-use" system to a "monthly flat-fee" is a serious mistake. The flat-fee system would result in forced phone bill hikes for me -- and for millions of low-volume, long-distance users in the U.S. Shifting the funding burden of the USF away from high volume users -- like big businesses -- and placing the weight on low-volume users -- students, prepaid wireless users, senior citizens and low-income residential and rural consumers-- is unfair. I urge you to rethink the proposed flat-fee plan. It is a de-facto tax increase of as much as \$707 million for 43 million of low-volume, long-distance users in the U.S, like me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Enola Cron".

Enola Cron

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To whom it May Concern:

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I bought my wireless phone for emergency use and I don't feel I should have to pay more than for what I need it for. My mother in law is 86 years old and my wireless phone is used mainly to keep in contact with her as she is alone all day by herself. This way if there is an emergency she can reach me. My husband and I both work all day and we work hard to make ends meet. Adding more money to this bill on top of all the other's just doesn't seem fair. It's hard enough for middle income people to keep their heads above water as it is.

Please pass along my concerns to the FCC on my behalf, letting them know that your constituents have contacted you to oppose a USF numbers or flat-fee plan. Thank you for your continued work. I look forward to hearing about your position on this matter.

Thank You Very Much  
Mrs. Linda M. Smith  
8451 1/2 Strait Rd  
Jonesville, MI.  
49250-9740

*Linda M. Smith*

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Dear CHAIRMAN KEVIN J. MARTIN,

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AS SENIOR CITIZENS, WE CAN NOT AFFORD TO PAY ONE PENNY MORE FOR ANYTHING!

We live on Social Security, with no other PENSION coming in, and need our phones for safety!

Mildred and Joe Donaldson  
7731 Cedar Point Rd.  
Oregon, OH. 43618

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*Mildred E. Donaldson*  
*Joe B. Donaldson*

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